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Applicant : Herbert Bächler et al.
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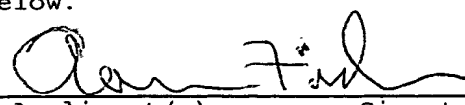
This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated May 29, 2003 (Paper No. 10). The three month period for responding to the Office action expired on August 29, 2003. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request and petition that the response date be extended, for one (1) month, to September 29, 2003. The \$110.00 extension of time fee is enclosed.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet of the Abstract.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.